

Late bus driver Campbell will be honored once more



Clark Campbell

CHRONICLE STAFF REPORT

State Rep. Larry Womble and Mayor Allen Joines will be among those who will unveil a sidewalk marker in front of the newly-named Clark Campbell Transportation Center on Sunday, Aug. 23 at 2 p.m.

The marker, which can be seen by drivers traveling along Fifth and Liberty streets, will become the most visible sign at the transit facility bearing the name Clark, who drove city buses for several decades. It will also be the first major posthumous honor for Campbell, who died late last year at the age of 86. His widow, Christine, is expected to attend Sunday's dedication.

A frail Campbell was on hand last year when the city named the transportation center in his honor. He called it one of the greatest days of his life. Womble led the movement to honor Campbell. As a child, Womble rode Campbell's bus and remembered the tough love and good advice he doled out to young people.

Sunday's ceremony is free and open to the public.

Stevenson

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mentoring services. The church also has a tutoring program set up at Ibraham Elementary.

As an active member of the Ministers Conference of Winston-Salem and Vicinity and CHANGE, Stevenson has not only prayed for better tomorrows for the city, but fought for them as well.

"I have known him for many years and he has always been such a calm, clear thinker," said Mayor Allen Joines.

The mayor was among the crowd at Sunday's gala. The packed event at the Embassy Suites was a testament to Stevenson's popularity. Dozens of pastors were among those in attendance, as were leaders from the Divinity School at Wake Forest University and nearly every single member of the Grace Presbyterian family. Stevenson was the center of attention at the event - a position that he is not used to and, frankly, has never liked.

"I don't have the need to have the spotlight," said Stevenson, who has always let his work speak for itself. "I'm more of an observer."

Though still boyish looking in his mid-60s, Stevenson said one of the reasons he decided to bow out is because he has reached that stage in life when its time to take things a little easier and slower. He has never been a Sunday-only pastor.



Photo by Kevin Walker

Dr. Stevenson has a laugh with a friend.

Members say Stevenson worked tirelessly around the clock.

"There has never been a member who has been in the hospital, or sick or in need that he has not tended to," Burke said.

Stevenson believes the work that has been assigned to him by God is not yet done.

"I am not leaving the ministry. That is my life's calling," he said.

He says he will take a year to reflect, pray, renew and listen to God. After that, he hopes to serve churches that are in between pastors on an interim basis. Stevenson, whose wife, Mable, retired just a few years ago as executive director of Catholic Social Services' Host Homes, says that the couple will continue to make Winston-Salem their home, even if interim pastorships take them outside of the city.

Hours before the gala, Stevenson delivered his final

sermon. "A Farewell Blessing" is based on the Aaronic Blessing, with its familiar refrain, "may the Lord bless you and keep you

..." A verbal blessing from someone, Stevenson said, is much more than mere words. "When you are blessed, the name of God is put on you," he said. "You have to receive it that way."

In that case, friends and congregants say that blessings for Stevenson have poured down like rain over the past two decades. And for each one he received, he gave many more in return and as a result has made Grace and the city a much better place.

James Rousseau, a member of the Grace Presbyterian Search Committee, said priority No. 1 is finding someone to temporarily fill Stevenson's big shoes while the committee launches a search for a permanent leader.



Photos by Todd Luck

Matt Murphy IV, center, with members of his motorsports team and event participants.

Homeless

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many of their favorite possessions behind and can no longer do things they took for granted, like falling asleep in front of the television. They're hoping to find employment and permanent housing soon.

Jerrilyn Ingram, Project HOPE's homeless liaison, said the Rupps aren't alone.

While traditionally, many homeless families have single parents, Ingram said she's seen an increase in two parent families falling on hard times in the last year. The number of those receiving Project HOPE's services is on the rise. As of Aug. 12, the project had 128 homeless children on its client list. More than 220 children are on "follow-up," meaning their families have recently found permanent housing.

"I'll put it this way, we work steadily all day," said Ingram, who has applied for grants to add three new positions.

Project HOPE provides transportation to school, tutoring, clothing assistance, case management, enrichment programs and other resources to homeless students. Homeless families often find themselves living in shelters, hotel rooms and sometimes with relatives. The project's goal is to make sure the children in those families stay in school



Michael and Lori Rupp

despite the circumstances of their family.

Nine-year-old John "Matt" Murphy IV competes on the Junior Dragster and Bandolero Bandits racing circuits. He has had great success on the track and has dedicated himself to giving back as much as he possibly can. Helping homeless children is a cause close to the young man's heart. His racing company has already held luncheons for homeless families and collected and distributed winter coats, but last week's event was on a much larger scale.

"I just wanted to help the homeless children to get haircuts, get their teeth clean and just let them have a little fun," said Matt.

Ingram is crediting the event with possibly saving a life. At least one woman discovered that she had a blood pressure reading so high that it put her at serious risk for a stroke.

SERVANT OF THE PEOPLE



Photo by Laya Farmer

U.S. Rep. Mel Watt stopped by the Winston-Salem Urban League recently to help serve hotdogs during one of the organization's community events. Watt has worked a series of odd jobs throughout his 12th Congressional District this month as part of his Trading Places series, where he takes on tasks and works side-by-side with his constituents.

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TUE - Green Calcium Fare

1 p.m. Chef Alex Swain prepares healthy greens, which provide your bones with a non-dairy source of calcium. Recipes and samples provided. ☎

2 WED - Power-up Your Golf Game

11 a.m. Learn from WFUBMC physical therapists how to get fit for the golf course and prevent injury. ☎

2 WED - Hip Arthroscopy

2 p.m. Hip arthroscopy is a minimally invasive procedure designed for active patients with hip pain. WFUBMC orthopaedic surgeon Dr. Allston Stubbs presents the latest treatment options in hip preservation surgery. ☎

2 WED - Hip Resurfacing vs. Standard Hip Replacement: Which is right for you?

6 p.m. WFUBMC orthopaedic surgeon Dr. William Ward describes modern medical treatments for damaged hips, including hip resurfacing, which allows for preservation of more bone mass. ☎

3 THU - Plantar Fasciitis

4 p.m. WFUBMC physical therapist Per Kristian Moerk discusses the diagnosis and treatment of plantar fasciitis, a common cause of heel pain. ☎

3 THU - Athletic Footwear Screening

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Physical therapists from WFUBMC Sports Medicine will evaluate your foot type and make recommendations for the appropriate walking or running shoe. Appointment required. ☎

4 FRI - Current Treatments for Spinal Stenosis

11 a.m. Spinal stenosis is a narrowing of the spinal canal, most often seen in patients over the age of 50. WFUBMC orthopaedic surgeon Dr. John Birkedal discusses causes, symptoms, diagnosis and treatments for this condition. ☎

9 WED - Nutrition and Bone Health

1 p.m. Join Amy Fanjoy, registered dietitian, to learn ways to keep your bones healthy and strong through good nutrition. ☎

11 FRI - Upper Arm Extremity Problems

1 p.m. Join WFUBMC orthopaedic surgeon Dr. Ethan Wiesler to learn about some of the most common injuries and conditions that affect the shoulder, elbow, wrist and hand. ☎

12 SAT - Delicious Vitamin D Delights

1 to 2:30 p.m. Wondering what foods are rich in Vitamin D and how to prepare them? Chef Nikki Miller-Ka is ready to show you how. Recipes and samples provided. ☎

14 MON - Osteoarthritis of the Knee

11 a.m. Osteoarthritis of the knee is a leading cause of disability. WFUBMC orthopaedic surgeon Dr. Jason Lang discusses causes, symptoms, diagnosis and treatment options for this condition. ☎

14 MON - New Trends in Hip Surgery

12:30 p.m. WFUBMC orthopaedic surgeon Dr. Jason Lang presents new technology and the latest treatments for a variety of hip problems and injuries. ☎

14 MON - Cooking with Calcium

4 to 5:30 p.m. Calcium is essential for building and maintaining strong bones. Join Chef Thomas Lantz as he prepares foods rich in calcium. Recipes and samples provided. ☎

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19 SAT - Healthy Food Scavenger Hunt

11 a.m. In this BestHealth Kids class for ages 8 to 10, registered dietitian Amy Fanjoy leads a fun-filled fruit and veggie scavenger hunt. Held at BestHealth. ☎

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